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SUBJ: PROPOSED RELAXATION OF US TRAVEL CONTROLS ON SOVIETS

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1. OBLIGATIONS SPECIFIED IN ARTICLE 5, SECTION 15 OF HEADQUARTERS AGREEMENT IN OUR VIEW ARE SUCH THAT ANY LIBERALIZATION OF TRAVEL CONTROLS EXTENDED TO SOVS IN WASHINGTON MUST AS A MATTER OF LAW ALSO BE EXTENDED TO MEMBERS OF SMUN AS WELL AS BYELORUSSIAN AND UKRAINIAN MISSIONS IN NEW YORK CITY.

2. IN THE EVENT SOVS IN THE THREE NEW YORK MISSIONS ARE INCLUDED IN THE PLANNED LIBERALIZATION, USUN BELIEVES FOLLOWING CHANGES WLD BE APPROPRIATE: (A) NEW YORK TO WASHINGTON WITH 24-HOUR NOTIFICATION VIA REGULAR PRESCRIBED ROUTES FOR ANYONE OTHER THAN THREE CHIEFS OF MISSION (OR FOR SOV ALONE IF DEPARTMENT PREFERS), (B) ENTIRE SOUTHERN SHORE OF LONG ISLAND TO INCLUDE JONES BEACH AS FAR AS MONTAUK POINT VIA REGULAR PRESCRIBED ROUTES WITH NO NOTIFICATION, (C) NEW YORK TO RYE BEACH VIA REGULAR PRESCRIBED ROUTES WITH NO NOTIFICATION.

3. AMBASSADORIAL TRAVEL: CHIEFS OF MISSIONS (SMUN, CONFIDENTIAL

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BYELORUSSIAN, UKRAINE) MAY VISIT ANY OPEN CITY OR AREA

BY ANY MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION WITHOUT PRIOR NOTIFICATION,
ACCOMPANIED BY FAMILY MEMBERS, INTERPRETER AND PERSONAL
CHAUFFEUR. FAMILY MEMBERS UNACCOMPANIED BY CHIEF OF
MISSION MAY ALSO TRAVEL NOTE-FREE, ACCOMPANIED BY
CHAUFFEUR, IF TRAVEL IS ALSO BY AUTO.

4. IN WEIGHING CHANGES IN TRAVEL CONTROLS ON SOVS,
WE ASSUME DEPARTMENT ALSO TAKING INTO ACCOUNT PROBABILITY
THAT PRC MISSION HERE WILL SEEK TREATMENT EQUAL TO THAT
ACCORDED SOVIET MISSION.
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